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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Fullerton – Authorities Arrest Man With 24-Kilograms of Fentanyl

(U) A suspected Southern California drug dealer was caught with 24-kilograms of fentanyl in his car and home, along with \$250,000 worth of fentanyl pills. The 60-year-old suspect was arrested following a traffic stop during which California Highway Patrol (CHP) officers found 4-kilograms of fentanyl in his vehicle. A subsequent search of his home led to the discovery of more fentanyl, plus methamphetamine. The Fullerton resident pleaded not guilty on Friday to multiple felony counts of drug possession and sale or transport. If convicted, he faces more than 6-years in prison.

SOURCE: 25 June 2022, [The San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

(U) Los Angeles – Man Accused of Burning Officer With Makeshift Blowtorch During Protest

(U) A 30-year-old Los Angeles man has been jailed on a charge of attempted murder after being accused of injuring an LA police officer with a makeshift blowtorch during protests over the US Supreme Court's reversal of the Roe vs. Wade decision. In total, four officers were injured by projectiles and fireworks during the demonstrations over the ruling.

SOURCE: 26 June 2022, [Los Angeles Times](#)

(U) Sacramento – Authorities Recover Stash of Weapons, Five Pounds of Crystal Meth During Sting

(U) The Sacramento Police Department unearthed a collection of guns and drugs while serving two search warrants. As part of an investigation regarding narcotics and firearms violations, Sacramento police officers from the South Gang Enforcement Team served two warrants Sacramento. During the searches, they found a privately manufactured AR-15 rifle, three handguns, five-pounds of crystal meth and more than \$50,000 in cash. Officers arrested Andrew Deollas, 32, in connection with the searches. He will be charged with narcotics distribution and illegal weapons charges.

SOURCE: 23 June 2022, [The Sacramento Bee](#)

(U) Tulare – 150,000 Fentanyl Pills Totaling \$750,000 Recovered During Traffic Stop

(U) Two Washington men are behind bars after a traffic stop leads detectives to find a large number of fentanyl pills in Tulare. CHP conducted the traffic stop in the area of Highway 99 and Tulare Avenue on Friday night. Detectives with the Tulare County High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Unit (HIDTA) were called in to assist during the arrest of Jose Zendejas, 25, and Benito Madrigal, 19. During the vehicle search, investigators found 150 packages, holding 1,000 fentanyl pills each. In total 150,000 were located inside. Officials say each pill sells for about \$5, which brings in a total of \$750,000.

SOURCE: 25 June 2022, [KMPH Fresno-Visalia](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Mexico – US Coast Guard Seizes \$109 Million in Cocaine

(U) Ensenada — The United States Coast Guard Cutter Steadfast returned to homeport following a 55-day counternarcotics deployment to the Eastern Pacific Ocean. The crew of the Steadfast worked with Mexican law enforcement assets on two occasions, to locate, track, and interdict fast-moving drug

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smuggling vessels, resulting in the seizure of 2,747-kilograms of cocaine by Mexican authorities, valued at \$109 million.

SOURCE: 24 June 2022, [US Indo-Pacific Command](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Illinois – Shooting at WeatherTech Facility Leaves One Dead, Two Injured

(U) Chicago — A shooting left one person dead, and two others injured at a WeatherTech facility in a Chicago suburb. WeatherTech manufactures and sells auto accessories. The shooter fled the building following the incident, and police arrested a suspect. Of the victims who were injured, one is in critical condition while the other has been released from the hospital. Police did not immediately identify the victims and suspect or release additional details on a potential motive for the shooting.

SOURCE: 25 June 2022, [USA Today](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Austria – Cannabis Use Has Risen With Legalization and COVID-19 Lockdowns

(U) Vienna – Places including US states that have legalized cannabis appear to have increased its regular use, while COVID lockdowns had a similar effect, raising the risk of depression and suicide, a UN report said on Monday. Cannabis has long been the world's most widely used drug and that use is increasing while the cannabis on the market is getting stronger in terms of its tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) content, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) said in its annual World Drug Report.

SOURCE: 26 June 2022, [Reuters](#)

(U) Benin – Two Police Officers Killed in Attack

(U) Dassari – Two police officers were killed and one wounded in an attack on a police station in northwest Benin, the latest in a string of deadly assaults in an area affected by a spillover of militant activity in neighboring Burkina Faso and Niger. Suspected jihadists descended on the Dassari police station and opened fire, killing two officers before they were pushed back. Two "terrorists" were also killed and several others wounded.

SOURCE: 26 June 2022, [Reuters](#)

(U) Mexico – Six Police Officers Killed in Shootout

(U) Nuevo Leon – Six police officers were killed in a shootout in northern Mexico in which they were outnumbered by assailants. The attackers wielded high-caliber guns and rode aboard 10 armored trucks in the ambush on Sunday close to the US-Mexico border. Four other officers were injured and receiving medical attention. President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador inherited a nation reeling from a high murder rate and has struggled to rein in entrenched gang violence. Average annual homicide totals are on track to be the highest under any Mexican administration since modern records began.

SOURCE: 26 June 2022, [Reuters](#)

(U) Norway – Suspect Identified and Arrested After Attack That Killed Two and Wounded 21

(U) Oslo – A Norwegian court identified the suspect in a deadly rampage at a gay bar in Oslo as a Norwegian citizen of Iranian origin. The Oslo district court named the suspect in the attack, in which two people were killed and 21 wounded, as Zaniar Matapour. Police described him as a radicalized Islamist with a history of mental illness. Intelligence services said they had been aware of Matapour since 2015 and that he had been part of a network of Islamist extremists in Norway.

SOURCE: 27 June 2022, [Reuters](#)

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(U) Syria – Authorities Capture Former ISIS Emir

(U) Hasakah – The Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) reported its special units, in collaboration with the US-led Global Coalition, arrested an Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) Emir, a term used for ISIS senior leaders, after raiding his home in Hasakah, a city in northeastern Syria. The SDF stated the “Emir was involved in crimes of murder against civilians,” and responsible for transporting ISIS cell members, Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs), and motorcycle bombs to Hasakah and other areas of northeast Syria, as well as smuggling families of some ISIS leaders from Hawl Camp. After his surrender, his home was searched, and weapons, documents and technical and military equipment were found in his possession.

SOURCE: 26 June 2022, [North Press Agency](#)

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